

Right at the outset I want to add my support to measures to help pool the scientific assets of America with those of the free world for our common good and mutual defense. Steps in this direction are already being taken but much more can and must be done. Security reasons are often advanced for moving slowly and obviously all security precautions cannot be done away with. However, security risks must be balanced against our gain from freer scientific exchange. If legislative bars against certain phases of our cooperation with other countries in the nuclear field are removed, it will be a major step forward and if there is a risk here I think it is one we should surely take. Pooling ideas on weapons development will certainly be of value in the field of intelligence since it would improve our ability to analyze and understand the nature of the Soviet nuclear threat. The advantages of such informational exchanges between countries where

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each has the capacity to help the other outweighs the security hazards.

For our allies to keep hundreds of top scientists working in the dark

on the same problems as our scientists are or have been working on

is a waste of scarce resources that we cannot afford.